Mountain Weather Forecast

Eryri (Snowdonia) National Park

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Friday 06 Dec 2024 until 23:59 on Saturday 07 Dec 2024

Forecast Issued on Friday 06 Dec 2024 at 04:10

Confidence: High for unsettled and very windy conditions associated with Storm Darragh on Saturday, and for an improvement from Sunday onwards. However, medium for the transitional detail and timing and location of the worst of the conditions.

Headline for Friday 06 Dec 2024: Dry and settled to start, turning increasingly wet and windy as Storm Darragh arrives this afternoon and evening.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 06 Dec 2024

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
Low Likelihood

Gales
High Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Medium Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Medium Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Clear night	Cloudy	Sleet	Sleet	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain
Precipitation probability					
<05%	10%	30%	90%	90%	80%

Forecast for Friday 06 Dec 2024

Weather: A dry and bright start with cloud soon increasing from the west. Outbreaks of heavy and, at times, persistent rain moving eastwards this afternoon and evening as Storm Darragh arrives, with sleet above 800m. Light winds to start the day, but strengthening to gale-force this afternoon, with storm force winds over highest summits this evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 90% for this morning, decreasing to 10% or less by this evening.

Low Cloud and visibility: Some patchy cloud may briefly cover summits above 900m for a time first thing, but cloud will lift and break up after dawn. Cloud lowers this afternoon, becoming widespread cloud around 500m by mid-afternoon, and dropping to around 300m this evening. Very good visibility this morning, but becoming poor or very poor in low cloud and heavy rain later.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
900	29/34 NW	16/18 W	23/27 S	44/53 S	57/69 S	59/73 S	52/64 SW
600	18/24 NW	9/10 W	16/21 S	31/40 S	41/53 S	43/55 S	37/49 SW
300	10/21 NW	2/4 SW	9/17 S	22/36 S	26/45 S	25/46 S	23/42 SW
Valley	10/21 NW	2/4 SW	9/17 S	22/36 S	27/46 S	25/46 S	23/41 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
900	1/-7	1/-5	1/-6	1/-8	3/-6	6/-1	4/-3
600	3/-2	3/0	4/-1	3/-4	5/-3	8/2	6/0
300	5/1	5/4	6/3	5/-0	6/1	10/6	8/4
Valley	6/2	6/5	7/5	6/2	8/3	11/7	10/5
Freezing Level*	900m	900m	900m	1000m	2300m	1900m	1800m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Conditions will deteriorate as Storm Darragh arrives from the west. Strong winds this afternoon onwards will make for arduous walking on exposed terrain with buffeting. Heavy and persistent rain will also lead to slippery surfaces and localised flooding of routes. The combination of strong winds, low cloud and rain will give a significant wind chill.

Forecast for Saturday 07 Dec 2024

Weather: Storm Darragh will bring widespread severe gales or storm-force winds above 700m, with gales at lower levels. Multiple weather warnings are in force. Heavy and persistent rain continues through the morning, turning to snow above 800m leading to blizzard conditions. The rain, sleet or snow becomes more showery with drier interludes into the afternoon and especially the evening.

Maximum wind: Westerly, becoming northwesterly, 55-65 mph with gusts of 65-75mph. Gusts of over 100 mph possible at the summits.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 20% in the morning, but increasing to 80% into the afternoon.

Low Cloud and visibility: Overcast low cloud with bases 300m will persist through much of the morning. Cloud will gradually lift and break, with bases around 900m into the afternoon. Poor or very poor visibility initially in low cloud and heavy rain, but increasing through the afternoon, although briefly dropping to poor in any heavy showers.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 10 Celsius, decreasing through the day to Plus 6 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 5 Celsius quickly decreasing to Plus 1 Celsius.
Freezing level: Freezing level between 800-1000m.

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